Afforestation programme

†650. SHRI KRIPAL PARMAR: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) the States in the country where afforestation programme is in operation; stating whether his Ministry has sought more funds for afforestation programme;

(b) what are the details of programmes to be initiated in this regard and the total funds required for this purpose; and

(c) what is the estimated area in each State which would be brought under the programme?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI BABU LAL MARANDI): (a) to (c) Afforestation programme is being implemented in all States of the country. On the basis of the proposals received from the State Governments, Ministry of Environment and Forests has formulated the National Forestry Action Plan (NFAP)—a 20 years perspective plan to bring one-third of the country's land mass under tree cover through sustainable development and protection of forests. The physical targets and funds required for implementation of the purpose are given, State-wise, in the statement (*see* below). The NFAP was presented on 27th September, 1999 to various multilateral/bilateral donor agencies for funding. The State Governments have also been requested to step up allocation to the forestry sector in the State Plans.

†*Original* notice of the question was received in Hindi.

Statement

The Financial and Physical Targets of the States (for 20 years) under the National Forestry Action Plan

States	Financial Targets (Rupees in million)	Physical Targets (million hectares)
Andhra Pradesh	51334.12	4.93
Arunachal Pradesh	14113.59	0.15
Assam	20720.35	1.10
Bihar	62067.66	4.21
Goa	1383.97	0.03
Gujarat	23246.66	2.62
Haryana	15767.29	0.87
Himachal Pradesh	108514.70	0.90
Jammu & Kashmir	57177.19	6.27
Karnataka	113377.00	3.21
Kerala	26082.89	0.26
Madhya Pradesh	230289.44	7.39
Maharashtra	84914.21	3.36
Manipur	19436.16	1.08
Meghalaya	1762.65	—
Mizoram	19220.90	0.62
Nagaland	4623.50	—
Orissa	27152.33	0.44
Punjab	22612.68	0.66
Rajasthan	191144.88	5.14
Sikkim	8493.07	0.28
Tamil Nadu	27188.00	0.71
Tripura	4623.50	0.08
Uttar Pradesh	32208.18	3.24
West Bengal	57278.85	0.61
A & N Islands	7587.83	0.07
TOTAL:	1232321.60	48.23